

REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT DATED SEPTEMBER 28, 2005 AND FINAL OFFICE
ACTION DATED MAY 2, 2005
SERIAL NO: 09/834,325

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REMARKS

Claims 1-15, and 24-33 are pending.

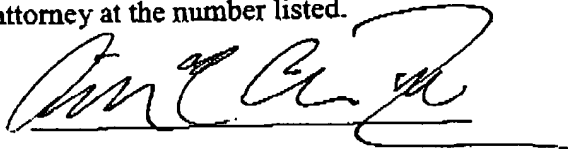
Claim 26 is currently amended.

CONCLUSION

Reconsideration of the pending claims and allowance of all pending claims are respectfully requested. If, after considering this reply, the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would be beneficial towards advancing this case to allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the number listed.

October 3, 2005

Date



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